

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 2, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 14, with the following amended paragraph:

--[0007] It is an object of the present invention to solve the above-mentioned problem and to provide a solution that makes it possible to reduce the number of calculations required to produce a response, thus making the production of the response faster than before. ~~This object is achieved by the method of independent claim 1, the computer program of independent claim 5, the data medium of independent claim 6, and the apparatus of independent claim 7.~~--

Page 4, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 1, with the following amended paragraph:

--[0013] Preferred embodiments of the method of the invention are set forth in the attached ~~dependent~~ claims 2 to 4.-